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- The method according to claim 38 wherein said  $TGF-\beta_3$  is provided at said site in combination with an anti-fibrotic agent.
- The method according to claim 39 wherein said antifibrotic agent is selected from the group consisting of: i) a protein that binds a fibrotic growth factor or receptor therefor and thereby prevents binding of said growth factor to said receptor, ii) an oligonucledtide that inhibits translation of a fibrotic growth factor mRNA, and iii) a ribozyme that inhibits translation of a fibrotic growth factor mRNA.
- The method according to claim 40 wherein said fibrotic growth factor is TGF- $\beta_1$ , TGF- $\beta_2$  or PDGF.
- The method according to claim 40 wherein said antifibrotic agent is said protein and said protein is an antibody or a soluble form of said receptor.
- The method according to claim 42 wherein said antibody is an anti-TGF- $\beta_1$ , anti-TGF- $\beta_2$  or anti-PDGF antibody.
- The method according to claim 38 wherein said  $TGF-\beta_3$  is provided at said site in an inactive form that is converted to an active form at said site.

- 45. The method according to claim 38 wherein said TGF- $\beta_3$  is provided at said site in a pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 46. The method according to claim 45 wherein said carrier comprises a biopolymer.
- 47. A method of inhibiting fibrosis in a patient in need thereof comprising providing at a site of fibrosis in of said patient an amount of  $TGF-\beta_3$  sufficient to effect said inhibition.
- 48. The method according to claim 47 wherein said TGF- $eta_3$  is provided at said site in combination with an anti-fibrotic agent.
- 49. The method according to claim 48 wherein said antifibrotic agent is selected from the group consisting of: i) a protein that binds a fibrotic growth factor or receptor therefor and thereby prevents binding of said growth factor to said receptor, ii) an oligonucleotide that inhibits translation of a fibrotic growth factor mRNA and iii) a ribozyme that inhibits translation of a fibrotic growth factor mRNA.
- 50. The method according to claim 49 wherein said fibrotic growth factor is TGF- $\beta_1$ , TGF- $\beta_2$  or PDGF.